

**REMARKS**

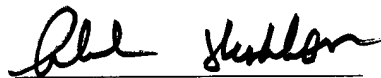
The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the foregoing amendment prior to examination of the above-identified patent application.

Applicant notes that the instant amendment has been prepared for editorial purposes to both the specification and the claims, and to place the claims in a better condition for examination and allowance. New claims are added and are supported by the original specification and the original claims. Therefore, this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment does not introduce any new matter. The amendments were not made to overcome any particular prior art and thus, no estoppel should apply.

If any fees are required for consideration of this Supplemental Preliminary Amendment, the U.S. Patent & Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge such fees to Deposit Account No. 50-2929.

Should there be any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below listed number.

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